ARLINGTON FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING 7:30PM TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM 5/4/11

ATTENDEES:

ATTICINATION.				
McGaffigan*	Bayer*	Jenkins*	Phelps	Corredera
DeCourcey*	Connors*	Simmons*	Gibian*	
Tosti*	Foskett*	Deyst*	Ronan*	
Ferrara*	Franclemont*	Jones*	Deshler*	

DuBois* Howard* Fanning* Carman* Turkall*

TRANSFER REQUEST from BoS for Fall Special Town Meeting & June referendum. GenGov SubCom to investigate.

PAYT MOTION Motion was made (Ref 1 Minutes of 5/2) to support PAYT as a revenue neutral program. Supporters of the motion stated that, should the override not pass and should the BoS institute PAYT, the resulting trash fee revenue should not add to the resident's tax burden because it would be against the spirit of Prop 2 1/2. Those opposed to the motion stated that the cuts required, should the override fail, are severe and the FinCom should not tie the hands of the BoS in this policy matter. The motion was modified to delete the statement of support. 12-5.

VOTED: 13-4 as follows:

We, the members of the Arlington Finance Committee, believe that the decision as to whether we have PAYT should be made by the voters, not by the Finance Committee, the Town Meeting, or the Board of Selectman.

Therefore, we resolve that if the Board of Selectman institutes PAYT without an affirmative vote on a town-wide ballot, the Finance Committee will present to the Town Meeting a budget that uses all the money raised from PAYT to reduce the tax rate.

RESERVE FUND BALANCE: 528,409.26
Peter Howard 5/7/11 Revised 5/9/11

cc FinCom Members, Library File, Town Web Site

^{*} Indicates present